About the Initiative

• Vision

• Grantmaking in U.S.-Middle East/North Africa

• Knowledge Hub

• Outreach and Advocacy
What Is Virtual Exchange

Virtual exchange is online, sustained, collaborative learning.
Students need **global competence** to tackle the 21st century’s **challenges** and take advantage of the **opportunities** before them.

How are you facilitating an environment for students to gain **global competence**?
Virtual Exchange’s Value Proposition

*Provide an exchange experience to more students,*

*while being integrated into multiple subjects,*

*at a lower cost than a traditional study abroad experience.*
Academic Areas Using Virtual Exchange

- Language
- Public Health
- Sign Language
- Social Entrepreneurship
- STEM
- Robotics
- Hunger
- Digital Storytelling
- Hospitality
- Civic Tech
- Refugee Dialogue
- Sustainable Architecture
Skills Acquired in Virtual Exchange

21st Century Skills/Global Competence

- Problem Solving
- Teamwork
- Empathy
- Respect for others
- Perspective taking
- Communication
Data: Measurement & Impact

• Statistically Significant Impact:
  • Cross Cultural Communication
  • Perspective Taking
  • Knowledge Seeking
  • Empathy/Feelings Change

• Check out our evaluation toolkit

• Student success stories

• Impact Report release in late Nov
Ways to Engage

- Join a Program
- Apply for a Grant (opening Spring 2020)
- Morocco and UAE: Design with a Partner
- Attend an Event
- Other Resources
Next Steps

- Fill out Contact Us form on our website
- Follow our social media accounts

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#worldclassconnection

- Check out our Ways to Engage page for ways to get involved or email Leonor.Chiarella@aspeninstitute.org